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More details on the situation in East Timor after 12 November massacre

Extracts of a document compiled by one eyewitness smuggled out of East Timor. This seems to be the most comprehensive account of what happened in Dili in the days following the 12 November 1991 massacre of more than 100 East Timorese civilians by the Indonesian forces.

* 189 people were killed at Santa Cruz cemetery.
* 36 dead were buried "collectively" (sic) in Hera.
* A large number was buried in Taci-Tolu and Tibar.
* More than 20 people were cremated in a "tank" (sic) in the military hospital in Lahane.
* A large number of young people, boys and girls, were raped and killed.
* On 14 November, at 23H30, four boys and three girls were murdered in Fatu-ahi. This was witnessed by many people in the area.
* On 15 November, around 23H00, five young people were murdered in Kai-Koli, Dili. The bodies had been cut in pieces and stacked into five bags and thrown into the water. Witnesses reported this to the local ICRC delegate.
* On 27 November, at 19H30, nine youth were killed and their bodies were carried to Hera.
* On 28 November, it had rained heavily. A box containing 20 human hearts was found by local people in the river near the Salesian Mission Bispo Medeiros. It had been washed down the river from the hospital backyard following the torrential rain.
* On 30 November, 11H35, Indonesian Military Police cut off the ears of a 19 year because he did not have an identity card.

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The aforementioned document also refers also to a number of detention centers in and around Dili where prisoners are being held and tortured:

1. Be Mos
2. Police sector West Dili
3. Headquaretrs of "Polwil", regional police headquarters, Comoro
4. Headquarters of Polres, district police
5. Kodim, district military command
6. Nusra Bakti, military intelligence headquarters
7. Senopati II, Colomera (Red berets barracks)
8. Senopati I, Farol (Red berets barracks)
9. A house near the new building of the college at Fatumetan.

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